

102ND GENERAL ASSEMBLY State of Illinois 2021 and 2022 HB3287

Introduced 2/19/2021, by Rep. Kathleen Willis

SYNOPSIS AS INTRODUCED:

720 ILCS 675/1

from Ch. 23, par. 2357

Amends the Prevention of Tobacco Use by Persons under 21 Years of Age and Sale and Distribution of Tobacco Products Act. Provides that a person selling, offering for sale, giving, or furnishing a tobacco product, electronic cigarette, or alternative nicotine product may verify that a person receiving the tobacco product, electronic cigarette, or alternative nicotine product is at least 21 years of age by examining a government-issued photographic identification and performing age verification through enhanced controls that utilize a scanning technology or other automated, software-based system.

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1 AN ACT concerning criminal law.

Be it enacted by the People of the State of Illinois, represented in the General Assembly:

- Section 5. The Prevention of Tobacco Use by Persons under
 Years of Age and Sale and Distribution of Tobacco Products
 Act is amended by changing Section 1 as follows:
- 7 (720 ILCS 675/1) (from Ch. 23, par. 2357)
- Prohibition on sale of tobacco products, 8 Sec. 1. 9 electronic cigarettes, and alternative nicotine products to persons under 21 years of age; prohibition on the distribution 10 of tobacco product samples, electronic cigarette samples, and 11 alternative nicotine product samples to any person; use of 12 13 identification cards; vending machines; lunch wagons; 14 out-of-package sales.
 - (a) No person under 21 years of age shall buy any tobacco product, electronic cigarette, or alternative nicotine product. No person shall sell, buy for, distribute samples of or furnish any tobacco product, electronic cigarette, or any alternative nicotine product to any person under 21 years of age.
- 21 (a-5) No person under 16 years of age may sell any tobacco 22 product, electronic cigarette, or alternative nicotine product 23 at a retail establishment selling tobacco products, electronic

- cigarettes, or alternative nicotine products. This subsection does not apply to a sales clerk in a family-owned business which can prove that the sales clerk is in fact a son or daughter of the owner.
 - (a-5.1) Before selling, offering for sale, giving, or furnishing a tobacco product, electronic cigarette, or alternative nicotine product to another person, the person selling, offering for sale, giving, or furnishing the tobacco product, electronic cigarette, or alternative nicotine product shall verify that the person is at least 21 years of age by:
 - (1) examining from any person that appears to be under 30 years of age a government-issued photographic identification that establishes the person to be 21 years of age or older; or
 - (2) for sales of tobacco products, electronic cigarettes, or alternative nicotine products made through the Internet or other remote sales methods, performing an age verification through an independent, third party age verification service that compares information available from public records to the personal information entered by the person during the ordering process that establishes the person is 21 years of age or older; or \div
 - (3) examining a government-issued photographic identification and performing age verification through enhanced controls that utilize a scanning technology or other automated, software-based system.

(a-6) No person under 21 years of age in the furtherance or facilitation of obtaining any tobacco product, electronic cigarette, or alternative nicotine product shall display or use a false or forged identification card or transfer, alter, or deface an identification card.

(a-7) (Blank).

(a-8) A person shall not distribute without charge samples of any tobacco product to any other person, regardless of age, except for smokeless tobacco in an adult-only facility.

This subsection (a-8) does not apply to the distribution of a tobacco product, electronic cigarette, or alternative nicotine product sample in any adult-only facility.

(a-9) For the purpose of this Section:

"Adult-only facility" means a facility or restricted area (whether open-air or enclosed) where the operator ensures or has a reasonable basis to believe (such as by checking identification as required under State law, or by checking the identification of any person appearing to be under the age of 30) that no person under legal age is present. A facility or restricted area need not be permanently restricted to persons under 21 years of age to constitute an adult-only facility, provided that the operator ensures or has a reasonable basis to believe that no person under 21 years of age is present during the event or time period in question.

"Alternative nicotine product" means a product or

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device not consisting of or containing tobacco that provides for the ingestion into the body of nicotine, whether by chewing, smoking, absorbing, dissolving, inhaling, snorting, sniffing, or by any other means. "Alternative nicotine product" does not cigarettes as defined in Section 1 of the Cigarette Tax Act and tobacco products as defined in Section 10-5 of the Tobacco Products Tax Act of 1995; tobacco product and electronic cigarette as defined in this Section; or any product approved by the United States Food and Drug Administration for sale as a tobacco cessation product, as a tobacco dependence product, or for other medical purposes, and is being marketed and sold solely for that approved purpose.

"Electronic cigarette" means:

- (1) any device that employs a battery or other mechanism to heat a solution or substance to produce a vapor or aerosol intended for inhalation;
- (2) any cartridge or container of a solution or substance intended to be used with or in the device or to refill the device; or
- (3) any solution or substance, whether or not it contains nicotine intended for use in the device.

"Electronic cigarette" includes, but is not limited to, any electronic nicotine delivery system, electronic cigar, electronic cigarillo, electronic pipe, electronic

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hookah, vape pen, or similar product or device, and any components or parts that can be used to build the product device. "Electronic cigarette" does not include: cigarettes as defined in Section 1 of the Cigarette Tax Act and tobacco products as defined in Section 10-5 of the Tobacco Products Tax Act of 1995; tobacco product and alternative nicotine product as defined in this Section; any product approved by the United States Food and Drug Administration for sale as a tobacco cessation product, as a tobacco dependence product, or for other medical purposes, and is being marketed and sold solely for that approved purpose; any asthma inhaler prescribed by a physician for that condition and is being marketed and sold solely for that approved purpose; or any therapeutic product approved for use under the Compassionate Use of Medical Cannabis Pilot Program Act.

"Lunch wagon" means a mobile vehicle designed and constructed to transport food and from which food is sold to the general public.

"Nicotine" means any form of the chemical nicotine, including any salt or complex, regardless of whether the chemical is naturally or synthetically derived.

"Tobacco product" means any product containing or made from tobacco that is intended for human consumption, whether smoked, heated, chewed, absorbed, dissolved, inhaled, snorted, sniffed, or ingested by any other means,

including, but not limited to, cigarettes, cigars, little cigars, chewing tobacco, pipe tobacco, snuff, snus, and any other smokeless tobacco product which contains tobacco that is finely cut, ground, powdered, or leaf and intended to be placed in the oral cavity. "Tobacco product" includes any component, part, or accessory of a tobacco product, whether or not sold separately. "Tobacco product" does not include: an electronic cigarette and alternative nicotine product as defined in this Section; or any product that has been approved by the United States Food and Drug Administration for sale as a tobacco cessation product, as a tobacco dependence product, or for other medical purposes, and is being marketed and sold solely for that approved purpose.

- (b) Tobacco products, electronic cigarettes, and alternative nicotine products may be sold through a vending machine only if such tobacco products, electronic cigarettes, and alternative nicotine products are not placed together with any non-tobacco product, other than matches, in the vending machine and the vending machine is in any of the following locations:
- (1) (Blank).
 - (2) Places to which persons under 21 years of age are not permitted access at any time.
 - (3) Places where alcoholic beverages are sold and consumed on the premises and vending machine operation is

- 1 under the direct supervision of the owner or manager.
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- (d) The sale or distribution by any person of a tobacco product as defined in this Section, including but not limited to a single or loose cigarette, that is not contained within a sealed container, pack, or package as provided by the manufacturer, which container, pack, or package bears the health warning required by federal law, is prohibited.
- (e) It is not a violation of this Act for a person under 21 years of age to purchase a tobacco product, electronic cigarette, or alternative nicotine product if the person under the age of 21 purchases or is given the tobacco product, electronic cigarette, or alternative nicotine product in any of its forms from a retail seller of tobacco products, electronic cigarettes, or alternative nicotine products or an employee of the retail seller pursuant to a plan or action to investigate, patrol, or otherwise conduct a "sting operation" or enforcement action against a retail seller of tobacco products, electronic cigarettes, or alternative nicotine products or a person employed by the retail seller of tobacco products, electronic cigarettes, or alternative nicotine products or on any premises authorized to sell tobacco products, electronic cigarettes, or alternative nicotine products to determine if tobacco products, electronic

1 cigarettes, or alternative nicotine products are being sold or 2 given to persons under 21 years of age if the "sting operation" 3 or enforcement action is approved by, conducted by, or conducted on behalf of the Department of State Police, the 5 county sheriff, a municipal police department, the Department 6 of Revenue, the Department of Public Health, or a local health 7 department. The results of any sting operation or enforcement action, including the name of the clerk, shall be provided to 8 9 the retail seller within 7 business days.

10 (Source: P.A. 101-2, eff. 7-1-19.)